the Joint Sector Singareni Collieries Limited in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) how much investment Coal India Limited or Department of Coal has made in these collieries?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES AND COAL (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Total investment (Loan plus equity) by the Central Government as on 31-3-1985 in Singareni Collieries Company Limited was Rs. 335.90 crores excluding re-payment made during 1984-85.

Trade prospects with Mauritius

724. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to a FICCI delegation that visited Mauritius in the last week of June, 1985, trade prospects with that country are quite good; and

(b) if so, what steps Government are taking to increase trade with Mauritius?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In consultation with various Ministries/Oragnisations, several measures such as providing credit support, improving shipping services, exchanging delegations, etc. are contemplated to promote trade with Mauritius.

Economic assistance from Aid India Consortium

725. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India will get $ 4 billion in economic assistance from the 14 member Aid India Consortium led by the World Bank during 1985-86; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Tentative indications of economic assistance of about $ 4 billion for the year 1985-86 were given by the members of the Consortium including the World Bank at the Aid India Consortium meeting held at Paris on June 18 and 19, 1985 subject to necessary approvals under their respective laws and regulations.

Utilisation of World Bank assistance by Madhya Pradesh Government

726. SHRI RAM NARESH KUSHAWAHA:

SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Madhya Pradesh Government have failed to utilise the World Bank assistance for the Bank aided projects in the State;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof stating the extent of the assistance utilised by the Madhya Pradesh Government as against the stipulated World Bank assistance till March, 1985 and the reasons for poor utilisation of the World Bank assistance; and

(c) what will be its likely effect on the prospects of securing further assistance for the projects in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) A list of World Bank assisted projects in Madhya Pradesh and their brief details as on March 1985 is annexed. There has been some slippage in the utilisation of loan/credit in some of them. Every effort is being made to see that the entire amount is utilised before the date of closure of the loans/credits.

(c) The prospects of securing further assistance for projects is not going to be effected.